



Suffolk County Fire, Rescue & Emergency Services Commission
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SUFFOLK COUNTY FRES COMMISSION **Meeting Minutes from 10/23/2019**

Chairman Silverman called the meeting to order at 7:35pm with a salute to the flag & a moment of silence for those that have past. Moment of silence for Robert Kelly, past President of the North Babylon Fire Company. The Commission sent prayers to Chief John Coughlin for a speedy recovery from surgery.

Motion to accept the minutes from the September 25, 2019 meeting by Anthony LaFerrara second by Norm Reilly, motion carried. Chief Joel Vetter will work on the email issue with the minutes. Chief Norm Reilly requested we look into having a FRES secretary take the minutes moving forward. Chairman Silverman advised this will be discussed on the budget portion of the meeting.

Treasurer's report read by Frank Bonventre. Balance in the checking account as of tonight was \$5,995.84. Motion to accept by Robert McConville, second by Anthony Sullo, motion carried.

There was no correspondence.

Report of Officers:

Chairman Silverman:

- Letters are needed for the following FRES Commission members for reappointment from their respective organizations: Ron Barz, Jay Egan, John Hoffman and Bryan Prosek.
- Chairman Silverman shared concern with Nathaniel Bialek regarding all EMT's finishing the online protocol rollout requirements by 12/31/19.

Vice Chairman Markott:

- no report

FRES Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner Report:

- no report

Fire Marshal's:

- no report

Fire Academy:

- no report

SCPD:

- no report.

SC EMS:

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Report of Committees:

Budget:

- met tonight. Chief Joel Vetter reported the following bullet points from the budget:
- overall increase in the budget.
- Fire Academy increase of \$26,000 and \$133,102 for training & education.
- all positions are funded.
- increase of 4 ESD I's and 1 ESD II.
- The Commissioner is looking for support from the FRES Commission on the budget.
- The Legislative budget review committee approved.
- Chief Vetter is confident we will get a secretary worked out for the FRES Commission meetings.

- motion by Frank Bonventre, second by Vinnie Bologna to approve the budget and to send a letter of support to the Commissioner.

Arson Task Force:

- no report

Combined Radio:

- next meeting is November 13th.

Buildings & Grounds:

- no report.

Legislation & Standards:

- no report.

Codes & Prevention:

- no report

EMS & REMSCO:

- awards were last week, all went well.

Burn Center:

- working on a fundraiser for 2020.

Recruitment & Retention

- 66 applicants in the SERVES program.
- \$830,000 Safer grant awarded.
- next meeting is in December.

Report of Organizations:

Suffolk County Chiefs:

- brunch is November 10th.

Suffolk County District Officers by Jay Egan:

- no report.

Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs by Bryan Prosek:

- no report..

Suffolk County Vollies by Anthony Sullo:

- no report

Report of Townships:

- no Township reports.

Old Business:

- there was no old business.

New Business:

- Due to Thanksgiving the November meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at 7:30pm.

There being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Silverman entertained a motion to adjourn by Anthony LaFerrara, second by Norm Reilly, meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Next meeting is Wednesday, December 4, 2019 @ 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Markott

Kyle Markott – ‘acting secretary for ONE night’

IN MEMORY OF:

PAST PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH
BABYLON FIRE COMPANY

ROBERT KELLY